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SUBJECT: TAPLINE: GOL TO RIYADH AUGUST 9-10

REF: BEIRUT 9595, 9738

1. ACCORDING PRESS, CABINET AUGUST 4 DECIDED TO SEND TO RIYADH AUGUST 9-10 FOLLOWING GOL TEAM: MINISTER (LABOR AND SOCIAL AFFAIRS, TOURISM, INDUSTRY AND OIL) GHASSAN TWEINI, FINMIN DG KAHLIL SALEM, IPC RPT IPC SUPERVISORY COMMITTEE NHAIRMAN ISSAM ACHOUR, DEVELOPMENT BANK PRESIDENT SALIM AL-HOSS AND OIL MINISTRY TECHNICAL EXPERT RAYMOND HITTI. SAME TEAM WITHOUT TWEINI VISITED RIYADH MAY 31-JUNE 3 ON TAPLINE PROBLEM.

2. ALTHOUGH DODGE DESCRIBED THIS MISSION AS CLEAN-UP OF CRUDE DEBT PROBLEM, ONE NEWSPAPER (DAILY STAR) SUGGESTED TALKS MAY BE AIMED AT CONCLUDING A NEW "ACCORD" COVERING SAUDI OIL SUPPLIES TO LEBANON.

PRESS SAID LEBANESE WOULD SEEK PREFERENTIAL PRICE BUT SAUDIS MAY INSTEAD OFFER FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE.

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OTHER TOPICS WILL BE RESUMED PUMPING AND LONG-BRUITED

"THIRD REFINERY", ACCORDING PRESS. FAST-MOVING OILMIN
TWEINI HAS TWICE SEEN IRAQI OIL OFFICIALS RECENTLY,
ONCE IN BAGHDAD AND ONCE AT BEIRUT AIRPORT BETWEEN
PLANES, SUGGESTING THAT GOL TEAM MAY BE
PREPARED GO BEYOND TAPLINE CRUDE DEBT PROBLEM AT
RIYADH.

3. SEPARATELY, DODGE BELATEDLY DISCLOSED TO US THAT
CONTENTS BEIRUT 9738 NOT RPT NOT YET KNOWN TO ARAMCO
PARENT COMPANIES. HE THEREFORE REQUESTED THAT
INFORMATION BE HELD VERY CLOSELY.
GODLEY

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